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SUBJ: UPDATE ON ALLEGED HIJACKER JOSE RIOS FROM CUBA,

FBI # 191 199D

REF: BRIDGETOWN 1350

CARACAS FOR LEO

1. EMBASSY HAS NOW LOST TOUCH WITH RIOS. LATEST WORD IS THAT HE CHECKED OUT OF WINDSOR HOTEL, FOLLOWING A VISIT FROM BARBADOS POLICE. HE LEFT NO FORWARDING ADDRESS ON BARBADOS, THOUGH HE GAVE THE FOLLOWING U.S. ADDRESS: 220 EAST 110TH ST NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

2. RIOS HAS THREE CLEAR ALTERNATIVES. FIRST, ATTEMPT TO DEPART ON THE BWIA FLIGHT AS REPORTED REFTEL. THIS UNLIKELY AS BWIA IDENTIFIED HIM ON ITS OWN AND AS OF LAST NIGHT WAS REFUSING TO ACCEPT HIM AS A PASSENGER. THIS MAY HAVE CHANGED THOUGH, AND EMBASSY IS ASKING BWIA PERSONNEL WHO HAVE PREVIOUS SEEN RIOS TO INSPECT THE PASSENGERS ABOARD THE BWIA FLIGHT TO MAKE SURE RIOS HAS NOT BOARDED UNDER AN ASSUMED NAME. SECOND, RIOS CAN DEPART AT 1450 HRS ABOARD CUBANA FLIGHT 455 AS HE HAD APPARENTLY PLANNED TO DO AFTER HE DISCOVERED THAT BWIA WOULD NOT ACCEPT HIM AS A PASSENGER. THIRD, RIOS MAY TRY TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STAY ON BARBADOS, BUT THIS IS UNLIKELY IN VIEW OF THE INTEREST

OF THE POLICE IN ASSURING HIS QUICK DEPARTURE.

3. EMBASSY IS ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE RIOS NOW. IF WE CAN LOCATE HIM, EMBASSY OFFICER WILL APPROACH HIM DIRECTLY AND ATTEMPT TO PERSUADE HIM TO DELAY HIS DEPARTURE. EMBASSY WILL REPORT ON THESE EFFORTS.
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